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SUBJECT: INCIDENT INVOLVING VISITING PRC GROUP

1. A GROUP OF PRC SEISMOLOGISTS HAS BEEN VISITING US AS PART OF FACILITATED EXCHANGE PROGRAM UNDER AUSPICES OF US COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATION. WHILE EN ROUTE TO AIRPORT IN NEW YORK TODAY, THEIR BUS WINDOW WAS STRUCK BY AN UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT AND A GLASS SPLINTER SLIGHTLY INJURED ONE MEMBER OF PRC GROUP. SPLINTER WAS REMOVED BY PHYSICIAN AT AIRPORT, AND WHOLE GROUP LEFT BY PLANE FOR DENVER ON SCHEDULE.

2. WE HAVE NOTIFIED PRCLO, EXPRESSING REGRET, SAYING THERE IS NO INDICATION PRC GROUP WAS SPECIFIC TARGET, BUT THAT INVESTIGATION IS BEING MADE AND WE ARE REVIEWING SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE GROUP PENDING RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION. GROUP ITSELF SEEMED CALM ENOUGH, AND PRCLO HAS NOT REACTED BEYOND THANKING US FOR THE INFORMATION.

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3. INITIAL INVESTIGATION SUGGESTS WINDOW WAS BROKEN BY

SOMETHING LIKE A ROCK, EITHER KICKED UP BY ANOTHER VEHICLE
OR THROWN IN AN ACT OF CASUAL VANDALISM OF KIND NOT UNKNOWN
ON NEW YORK HIGHWAYS. IT IS MOST UNLIKELY THAT ANYONE
COULD HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR PRC VEHICLE, WHICH CARRIED NO
SPECIAL IDENTIFICATION. RUSH

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